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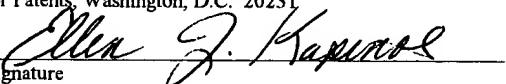
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2001. A Request for a Three Month Extension and the required fee accompanies this Amendment resetting the date for response to November 19, 2001. Please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims as follows:

A1 ~~3.~~ (amended) The composition of claim 1 further comprising a pore forming agent.

~~Delete claims 8-10.~~

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is requested. Claim 3 has been amended. Claims 8-

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